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SUBJECT: HALT IN JERUSALEM PEACE TALKS

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1. CONVEYED REFTEL VIEWS ON STATE OF PLAY IN PEACE
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TALKS TO FOREIGN MINISTER MORNING JAN 19. HE AGREED
THAT STAGE IS INDEED A DELICATE ONE AND THAT HIS
GOVERNMENT WOULD MAKE NO STATEMENT WHICH COULD
COMPLICATE THINGS FURTHER. FOREIGN MINISTER SAID
HE LOOKED FORWARD TO BEING KEPT FURTHER INFORMED
BY USG AS TALKS PROGRESS, "IF THEY DO."

2. TURNING TO SUBSTANCE OF TALKS, FOREIGN MINISTER
SAID HE HAD FEELING THAT NOMINAL STICKING
POINT IN TALKS--PALESTINIAN/WEST BANK ISSUES--IS
NOT SADAT'S "REAL PROBLEM." REAL PROBLEM, HE
SAID, IS THAT SADAT HAS AT LAST DISCOVERED
THAT NOT EVEN IN SEPARATE PEACE WOULD ISRAEL GIVE
UP ALL OF SINAI. HE SAID HE HAD HEARD OF STATEMENT
BY BEGIN THAT BEGIN WOULD RATHER RESIGN THAN GIVE UP
SINAI SETTLEMENTS. THIS, FONMIN FELT, IS MESSAGE
TO SADAT THAT HIS INITIATIVE IS FAILING, AND
FAILING NOT ON OTHER FRONTS BUT ON FRONT WHICH
IS EASIEST AND ON WHICH SADAT ALREADY HAS OFFERED
ALL THAT EGYPT HAS TO OFFER.
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